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PRIORITY INFORMATION

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111**

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Sir:

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated April 5, 2006, for which a response is due on July 5, 2006 and for which a one-month Petition for Extension of Time is submitted herewith, extending the period of response to August 7, 2006 (August 5 and 6 being a weekend). Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Specification** are reflected on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.